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## **Local Coast Guard Marine Safety Office gets new Commanding Officer**

SAN DIEGO -- On April 3<sup>rd</sup> 2001, Coast Guard Marine Safety Office San Diego will hold a formal Change of Command ceremony as Commander Mike Farley passes command to Commander Stephen Metruck.

Commander Farley assumed command of the office in July 1998. As Captain of the Port, Federal On-Scene Coordinator and Officer in Charge of Marine Inspection, he was responsible for carrying out Coast Guard marine safety, national defense, and marine environmental protection missions. The office's area of responsibility includes the coastal zone in Southern California from Dana Point south to the Mexican border, and the Colorado River and its Lakes encompassed by the states of California, Arizona, Nevada and Utah.

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### **Local USCG MSO gets new CO / 2 - 2 - 2 / 26 Mar 01**

In his most recent assignment, Commander Metruck was the U.S. Coast Guard Liaison to the U.S. Mission to the United Nations in New York City. He served as an advisor to the United States Permanent Representative to the United Nations on issues related to oceans and law of the sea, disarmament and arms control, and peacekeeping operations.

Commander Farley has been selected for promotion to Captain. In his next assignment, Captain Farley will serve as U.S. Coast Guard Advisor to the Panama Canal Authority in Panama City, Panama.

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